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INTRODUCTION.

The number of copies of "Reed's History of Rutland," having become "small by degrees and beautifully less," your humble servant has procured a reprint of the same, and has added such facts and incidents relating to our history as have occurred since 1836. A gifted writer has said, "Town histories are both interesting and instructive to the readers of today, and in the future their value will be in the ratio of their age; they are the little rills that feed the great river of National History,"—a truism, when applied to works like Reed's. Our object is more to supply the long felt want for his history, than to append anything of value to it. Many things have necessarily been omitted in the Supplement that should have been noticed, while some have been inserted that ought perhaps to have been omitted.

When we say that we in no sense claim to be a historian, we trust that the critic's occupation, like Othello's, will be gone. Much space has been given to the records of our soldiers. We feel that justice demands that the names of those who sought to establish our independence, and those who sought to maintain it, should stand enrolled upon the brightest page of our history.

We have followed as far as convenient the plan adopted by Reed, and to which frequent reference is made. While we do not aim, or expect, to add lustre to his work, we intend that it shall not be tarnished by any effort of ours.

To such as have aided and encouraged us, we tender many thanks.

In the language of our "illustrious predecessor," we would say, "if these pages should be of any assistance to the future historian, and their perusal be as pleasing to the reader as the collection of the facts has been perplexing to the author, his labor has not been useless."

D. B.

RUTLAND, JAN., 1879.

SUPPLEMENT.

CEMETERIES.

In 1743, the Grand Committee laid out and gave to the town ten acres of land north of where the first, and also the second church stood, (the former built in 1720, the latter in 1759,) a portion of this (about four acres.) was enclosed for a public burying ground. Several headstones, dating as far back as the time of its first location, can be seen, still in a good state of preservation. (The Worcester Society of Antiquity will in due time publish a full record of the same.) This ground was used for the purpose of burials until 1842, when a new spot was selected, situated about half a mile east of the Center, opposite the residence of O. C. Fairbank, (formerly owned by W. Flagg.)

June 30, 1842, C. G. Howe and sixteen others formed themselves into a corporation, under the authority granted by the General Statute, chap. 67, with the title of the "Rural Cemetery Association of Rutland." The first purchase of land contained three acres and eighty-six rods; a subsequent purchase was made of two acres and forty rods. in all about five and three-fourths acres. Roads were built, lots located, and the ground publicly consecrated, Oct. 8, 1842. Consecrating address by Rev. Josiah Clark, aided in the other exercises by Rev. Mr. Ainsworth and Rev. Mr. Phipps of Paxton.

About three hundred lots have been sold and fitted up, and the many appropriate monuments, tablets, and headstones evince that the living honor the memory of the departed.

That part of the town known as New Boston has a burial place, though somewhat ancient, which is still kept in good order, and used for the purpose designed.

West Rutland has a small and very neat cemetery.

RELIGIOUS SOCIETIES.

It can hardly be said that there ever was more than one permanent religious organization in the town. The first settlers were men of strong religious sentiments, and early took measures to have an established ministry. As early as 1721, which was prior to the act of incorporation, they selected Rev. Joseph Willard to be their spiritual teacher. Mr. Willard being killed by the Indians a few days previous to the time assigned for his installation, (1723), the town remained without a settled pastor till the ordination of Thomas Frink, Nov. 1, 1727. During Mr. Frink's ministry, there was a strong Presbyterian element in the town, and those who held to the tenets of that denomination withdrew, which act caused Mr. Frink to tender his resignation, which was accepted by the town, Sept. 8, 1740. From the settlement of his successor, Mr. Buckminster, in 1742, up to the present time, the church has been under the control of the Orthodox Congregationalists. The church edifice which was burned in 1830 was owned, as were all previous ones, by the town; since that time they have been built and owned by the First Congregational Society.

Soon after the burning of the old church, there was an effort made to organize a Universalist Society, but it failed, though they had preaching at intervals for a year or two.

About 1840, the Methodists began to hold meetings. They soon formed a church and society, and held stated preaching at the Town Hall till 1844, at which time they built a house of worship. The society for several years was in a flourishing condition. In time many of its ablest members were removed by death or had left town, and those remaining feeling unable, or unwilling to support preaching, allowed the church and society to die out. The house some years since passed into private hands.

A few years ago the Catholics held meetings occasionally in the west part of the town. Churches having been organized in neighboring towns by which they were accommodated, they have held but few meetings of late.

The Adventists have an established church and society at North Rutland, where they have regular preaching in the chapel built by said society about four years since.

ECCLESIASTICAL HISTORY.—Page 93.

Rev. Josiah Clark died July 11, 1845, aged 60 years.

Rev. Daniel R. Cady, ordained Oct. 29, 1845, dismissed Oct. 11, 1849.

Rev. George E. Fisher, ordained Feb. 27, 1850, dismissed May 13, 1852.

Rev. David Burt, installed Jan. 10, 1856, dismissed Feb. 25, 1858.

Rev. Clarendon Waite, ordained Feb. 25, 1858, dismissed March 13, 1866.

Rev. Henry Cummings, installed Sept. 5, 1866, dismissed July 1, 1874.

Rev. George E. Dodge, installed Dec. 27, 1877.

Though there have been long intervals that the society has been destitute of a settled minister, yet there have been

but few Sabbaths since the organization of the church, but what there have been stated services, mostly by able clergymen employed by the year. The present church edifice was built in 1849, and dedicated Feb. 27, 1850.

DEACONS OF THE CHURCH, AND WHEN CHOSEN.—CONTINUED, Page 93.

Joseph Marsh, Sept. 4, 1840.

Joseph Miles, Dec. 4, 1842:

Abram H. Temple, Oct. 6, 1850.

Rufus B. Miles, Oct. 6, 1850.

Granville Hadley, Jan. 1, 1879.

Charles R. Bartlett, Jan. 1, 1879.

THE MUSTER ROLL

OF THE COMPANY OF MINUTE MEN, COMMANDED BY CAPT.
THOMAS EUSTIS, WHICH MARCHED FROM RUTLAND
TO CAMBRIDGE, APRIL 19, 1775. Page 61.

Capt. Thomas Eustis,	Private John Cunningham,
1st Lieut. John Stone,	James Williams,
2d Lieut. Elijah Sterns,	Joseph Wood,
Sergt. Sam'l Browning,	Benj. Munro,
Sergt. Timothy Medcalf,	Asa Davis,
Sergt. Isaac Wheeler.	Jeduthan Stone,
Private Solomon Munro,	Ephraim Curtis,
Asa Church,	Israel Stone,
Aaron Phelps,	Wm. Smith,
Caleb Clap,	Silas Bent,
Joshua Clap,	Thomas Ball,
David How,	John Bruce,
Luther Stevens,	Benj. Estabrook,

Benj. Reed, Jr.	Jonas Parmenter,
John Davis,	Moses Baxter,
Abraham Wheeler,	Jonias Smith,
Jonas Walker,	Joseph King,
Robert Munro,	Simon Phelps,
Benj. Miles, Jr.	Matthias How,
Hugh Smith,	David Underwood,
Michar How,	Eli Clark,
Joseph Wright,	Elijah Stone,
Seth Duncan,	Samuel Moor,
William Brittan,	James Smith.

The above is taken from the original Roll now in the office of the Secretary of State. Reed gives the number as fifty. He also gives the name of William Bridge as the third in command.

LIST OF "ALARM MEN" OF 1775. Page 62.

Joseph Buckminster,	Daniel Murrey,
Joseph Blake,	John McClanathan,
James Blair,	Moses Maynard,
Samuel Brittain,	Jeduthan Moor,
John Briant,	William McCobb,
Daniel Bartlett,	Josua Nurse,
Joseph Bartlett,	George Oak,
Gideon Brown,	John Phelps,
James Cunningham,	John Rice,
Edward Clark,	Benjamin Reed,
Samuel Cowden,	Jonas Reed,
Peter Davis,	Robert Rozer,
Ephraim Davis,	John Stone,
Nathan Davis,	Samuel Stone,
Daniel Davis,	Samuel Stone, 2d,

Ebenezah Foster,	Daniel Saunders,
Robert Forbes,	George Smith,
John Frink,	James Smith,
Ebenezah Frost,	Isaac Savage,
Thomas Flint,	Samuel Stratton,
John Fessenden,	John Stratton,
Zach's Gates,	John Williams,
John Hucker,	James Wheeler,
James Henderson,	John Watson,
Ephraim Hubbard,	Francis Maynard,
Matthias Howe,	Jonathan Whiting,
Simon Heald,	Simon Stone,
Samuel Jones,	Jason Reed,
Nath'l Munro,	Daniel Estabrook,
Paul Moor,	Samuel Ames.

The original can be seen at the Clerk's Office.

MEMBERS OF CAPT. RALPH EARLE'S CO.

ENLISTED AUG. 29, 1777, FOR 4 MONTHS.

Isaac Smith,	Samuel Dunlap,
John Fessenden,	John Davis,
David Smith,	Eliakim Davis,
Levi Brown,	James Forbes,
John Forbes,	Jonas Flint,
George Smith,	Alpheus Davis.
Abiathar Childs,	

Copy taken from the office of the Secretary of State.

The following is a record of the time, place of decease, and age of a portion of the soldiers of the Revolution.

Where no place is mentioned it will be understood as Rutland.

Daniel Adams died Dec. 17, 1832, aged 81.

Samuel Browning died Oct. 3, 1783, aged 43.

William Bridge died Feb. 9, 1804, aged 64.

Isaac Briant died June 4, 1836, aged 74.

Adonijah Bartlett died March 15, 1841, aged 80.

Oliver Chickering died Feb. 26, 1831, aged 80.

Abiathar Childs died Oct. 1, 1833, aged 83.

James Cowden died Feb. 11, 1847, aged 93.

Asa Church died Feb. 15, 1809.

Died in Hubbardston.

Daniel Estabrook died Sept. 11, 1816, aged 75.

John Fessenden died April 2, 1793, aged 63.

John Forbes died Feb. 10, 1813, aged 53.

Jonas Flint died July 20, 1849, aged 89.

Died in Antrim, N. H.

Jacob Fiske died Feb. 13, 1848, aged 85.

Robert Forbes died Feb. 17, 1799, aged 58.

Samuel Frink died March 30, 1846, aged 81.

Died in Paxton.

Tilly Flint died Feb. 23, 1842, aged 83.

Zadock Gates died Dec. 14, 1821, aged 61.

Jeduthan Green died June 21, 1819, aged 74.

Noah Harrington died July 28, 1845, aged 80.

Died in Barre.

Joel Hubbard died Jan. 9, 1853, aged 94.

Abram Hager died Sept. 29, 1847, aged 92.

Enlisted from Shrewsbury.

Joseph King died Sept. 25, 1807, aged 55.

Nathaniel Loughton died Oct. 28, 1776, aged 29.

Killed at White Plains.

Benjamin Meade died March 16, 1852, aged 92.

Willard Moore died June 17, 1775, aged 32.

Killed at Bunker Hill.

Timothy Munroe died Feb. 7, 1836, aged 89.

Died in Princeton.

Benj. Miles died Jan. 28, 1776, aged 52.

Benj. Munroe died March 17, 1797, aged 42.

Timothy Metcalf died Jan. 26, 1820.

Hezekiah Newton died June 6, 1844, aged 92.

Jonas Parmenter died Sept. 6, 1813, aged 69.

Abel Parmenter died April 12, 1834, aged 78.

John Powers died June 24, 1842, aged 87.

John Rice died July 10, 1820, aged 74.

Nathan Reed died June 10, 1850, aged 89.

Died in Royalston.

Benj. Reed, Jr., died June 17, 1775, aged 26.

Killed at Bunker Hill.

Josiah Rice died Oct. 30, 1830, aged 72.

Jonas Stone died Sept. 23, 1846, aged 92.

Samuel Stone, Jr., died Dec. 10, 1775, aged 40.

George Smith died March 30, 1799, aged 73.

Israel Skinner died May 14, 1837, aged 82.

Abraham Wheeler died July 20, 1817, aged 71.

Phineas Walker died Oct. 16, 1792, aged 70.

Daniel Walker died April 20, 1850, aged 90.

It is a fact worthy of notice that the *average* age of the thirty-six who returned from the war, and whose age is given at the time of their death, is a trifle over eighty-seven years and five months.

SOLDIERS OF THE REVOLUTION FROM RUTLAND.

Adams, Daniel

Bartlett, Adonijah

Briant, Isaac

Bridge, William

Bent, Peter, Jr.

Briant, John

Browning, Samuel ✓

Brittain, William

Bent, Silas

Ball, Thomas

Bruce, John

Baxter, Moses

Brown, Levi

Chickering, Oliver

Cowden, James	Huckingson, Jesse
Church, Asa	Howe, David
Clap, Caleb	Howe, Michar
Clap, Joshua	Howe, Matthias
Cunningham, John	Johnson, Luther
Curtis, Ephraim	Johnson, Delitha
Clark, Eli	King, Joseph
Clark, George	Laughton, Nath'l
Childs, Abiathar	Meade, Benjamin
Dunlap, Sam'l	Moor, Willard
Davis, John	Monroe, Timothy
Davis, Eliakim	Munroe, Solomon
Davis, Alpheus	Munroe Robert,
Duncan, Seth	Munroe, Benjamin
Davis, Asa	Murray, Alexandra
Eustis, Thomas	Medcalf, Timothy
Estabrook, Daniel	Miles, Benjamin
Estabrook, Benj'n	Moor, Samuel
Fessenden, John	Newton, Hezekiah
Forbes, John	Powers, John
Forbes, James	Pollard, Jonathan
Forbes, Robert	Phelps, Aaron
Flint, Jonas	Parmenter, Abel
Flint, Tilly	Parmenter, Jonas
Frink, Samuel	Reed, Benjamin, Jr.
Fisk, Jacob	Reed, Nathan
Green, Jeduthan	Rice, Abiah
Gates, Zadock	Rice, John
Goodale, Nathan	Rice, Josiah
Hubbard, Joel	Stone, Jonas,
Hagar, Abram	Stone, Samuel, Jr.
Harrington, Noah	Stone, John
Henderson, Daniel	Skinner, Israel

Smith, George	Smith, Isaac
Smith, Enoch	Smith, David
Stearns, Elijah	Underwood, David
Stearns, John	Walker, Phineas
Steavens, Luther	Walker, Jonas
Smith, Hugh	Walker, Daniel
Stone, Jeduthan	Wheeler, Abraham
Stone, Israel	Wheeler, Isaac
Smith, William	Wright, Joseph
Smith, Jonas	Williams, James
Smith, James	Wood, Joseph
Stone, Elijah	

The compiler has devoted more time in obtaining a record of the old soldiers than in all other records combined. They have been obtained from almost as many sources as there were soldiers, and yet we believe the record to be correct. At the close of the war, or soon after, very many of them left town and all trace of them has been lost.

It is a singular fact and one to be regretted, that no record can be found of some who ever after the war lived and died in town. Nearly all of the last survivors, and whose ages are given, received pensions from the government. It is to be hoped that further records may yet be obtained.

WAR OF 1812—15.

In this war, the town furnished but very few men—the exact number or names not recorded. Only one of the old soldiers survives. Mr. Reuben Glazier, over 80 years of age, and a recipient of a government pension.

WAR WITH MEXICO.

Most, if not all, the soldiers of the town in this war belonged to the famous "Home Guard."

It would appear that the worthy Deacon's historical rake was a little faulty, or he would have made a note of the following case of

MURDER.

The first murder committed in the county, (unless we include the killing by the Indians,) was within the limits of Rutland. The victim was one Daniel Campbell born in Scotland in 1696, and came to this country in 1716. The crime was committed in March, 1744, upon his farm, by one Edward Fitzpatrick, an Irishman in the employ of Campbell.

Authorities differ as to the exact locality. Some say the house in which he (C.) lived stood upon the farm now owned by H. D. Rice, others that it was some more than a mile south of that point, and in that part of Rutland since set off to Paxton. The evidence appears to be in-favor of the latter.

The murderer was arrested, tried, and convicted, at the September term of His Majesty's Superior Court held at Worcester on the eighteenth day of said month; Paul Dudley on the bench, William Brattle, Attorney General, Thomas Wheeler, foreman of the jury. The warrant for his execution, to take place Oct. 18th, was issued Sept. 22d, only thirty days from the sitting of the Court to the day of his execution.

The Courts in those days knew but little about the "law's delay," though there was one thing in which his (C's.) administrators (Benj. Flagg and John Chandler,) were as well posted as they are at the present day, for they had but £10, 5s. to return out of an estate appraised at £952, 8s.

Upon the headstone at Campbell's grave in the old cemetery, may be seen the following inscription:

"Here lies buried y^e body of Daniel Campbell, born in Scotland, came into New England, Anno 1716, was murdered on his own farm in Rutland by Ed. Fitzpatrick, an Irishman, on March y^e 8 Anno 1744, in y^e 48 year of his age.

Man knoweth not his time."

It is possible that there is an error in the date upon the headstone, as we find by the Court records that Fitzpatrick was indicted for committing the murder on the 12th day of March instead of the 8th. It may add somewhat to the interest of this case that it was the first murder committed in the county, and Fitzpatrick the first man* executed for that crime.

Credit is due to Hon. Clark Jillson of Worcester for many of the facts in this case. He is compiling a work, which his own language will best explain. "I propose to give in this work a concise and authentic account of all the executions which have transpired in this county, together with biographical sketches of those who have here suffered the Death Penalty, and to notice such other facts and incidents connected therewith as would seem to be of interest to the general reader."

FREE MASONRY.

An organization of Masons was established in 1812, known as "Thompson Lodge," named for, or after, the Rev. James Thompson, D. D. of Barre, who held at that time the office of D. D. G. M. The first meeting preparatory to the organization was held at the hotel of Luke Robinson, June 22d. The Constitution and By Laws were adopted in Octo-

*John Hamilton alias Hugh Henderson was executed at Worcester, Oct. 27, 1737, for burglary.

ber of the same year. For some years this was one of the largest and most flourishing Lodges in the State, holding its meetings in the hall built for their use by one of its members, (Mr. Daniel King,) now owned by Dr. Slocomb. The Lodge included members from many of the neighboring towns. The last meeting according to the records was held in December, 1826. Charles Chaffin, late of Holden, Secretary. It is not certain that more than three of its members are now living, viz: John Estabrook, now of Boston, David W. Fletcher and Jonathan A. Clark of Rutland.

CASUALTIES BY FIRE.—Page 71.

The following list embraces most of the fires that have occurred in town since 1836.

- 1844, Oct. 25,—House of Abel Baker.
- 1849, Jan. 7,—Congregational church.
- 1856, Feb. 17,—House of C. G. Howe.
- 1858, Oct. 3,—House of Leonard Wilson.
- 1864, March 20,—House of H. P. Lovering.
- *1866, July 26,—Barn of A. H. Temple.
- 1867, Nov. 6,—Barn of D. Malony.
- 1870, Oct. 18,—House of W. M. Warner.
- 1870, Oct. 18,—House and barn of E. Hubbard.
- 1873, Aug. 7,—House and barn of H. Maynard.
- 1873, Nov. 4,—House of J. S. Bartlett.
- 1874, July 4,—House of C. M. Holden.
- 1874, Oct. 8,—Barn of C. M. Holden.
- 1874, Nov. 10,—Basket Shop of R. J. Brooks, Jr.
- 1875, Jan. 1,—House and barn of J. Newcomb.
- 1875, April 28,—Barn of George Black.
- *1875, July 5,—Barn of S. Severus.
- 1875, Oct. 25,—Basket shop of R. J. Brooks, Jr.

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- 1875, Oct. 25,—House of R. Campeon.
- 1876, Jan. 5,—Grist and saw mill of C. Homer.
- 1876, April 29,—House and mill of W. J. Stearns.
- 1876, May 17,—House and barn of R. J. Brooks, Jr.
- *1876, June 25,—Barn of J. W. Munroe.
- 1876, Aug. 11,—Basket shop of C. Pierce.
- 1876, Sept. 3,—Barn of G. A. Putnam.
- 1876, Sept. 13,—House and barn of Mrs. M. Tinker.
- 1876, Dec. 12,—Barn of J. P. McDonnall.
- 1876, Dec. 29,—Barn of Henry Tyler.
- 1878, March 11,—House of T. Lawless.
- 1878, Aug. 21,—House and barn of J. P. McDonnall.

Several others have occurred, among them the West Rutland Hotel, Sibley's factory, Keyes' steam saw mill, Tower's house, Baker's house, Rockwood's house and barn, Barker's house, and Hefron's barn, the dates of which are not at hand. Sixteen of the above have occurred within the limits of one School District, No. 7, West Rutland. Only one life lost, that of Daniel Saunders at the burning of Col. Howe's house in 1856.

*Set on fire by lightning.

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE. Page 48.

Calvin G. Howe,
J. Warren Bigelow,
John A. Harris,

Zadock W. Gates,
Alonzo Davis.

PHYSICIANS.

Among those who have practiced in town since 1836, may be found the names of Drs. Clapp, Saltmarsh, Ordway, Safford, Warren, Tripp, Newell, Rood, Herbert, Slocumb, Fellows, Shannon and Smith. Several of the above practiced but a

short time in town. The oldest in practice was Dr. Tripp, from 1849 to 1873.

RUTLAND IN THE REBELLION.

The following list comprises the names of soldiers, the branch of service, date of enlistment, date of discharge, death, or desertion, accredited to the town in the Rebellion of 1861-5.

ABBREVIATIONS.—(B.) Battery; (I.) Infantry; (C.) Cavalry; (H. A.) Heavy Artillery; (R. A.) Regular Army; (F. C.) Frontier Cavalry; (B. R.) Battalion of Rifles; (M.) Musician; (As.) Assistant Surgeon. The first date refers to enlistment, the second, to discharge.

Baker, Lyman A., 51st I., Sept. 25, '62—July 27, '63.

Bartlett, Charles R., " " " " "

Bartlett, George F., 25th I., Sept. 27, '61,—Dec. 1, '63.

Re-enlisted, 25th I., Dec. 3, '63—July 13, '65.

Bemis, Roswell, 10th B., Sept. 9, '62—June 9, '65.

Bemis, Herman N., 10th B., Aug. 30, '64—June 9, '65.

Briant, Wm. E. Jr., 25th I., Sept. 23, '61. Killed at Cold Harbor, Va., June 3, '64.

Brown, Edward, 2d I., June 16, '64—July 14, '65.

Childs, Jona. E., 10th B., Sept. 9, '62. Died at Washington, D. C., Nov. 15, '62.

Dean, Perrin, 51st I., Sept. 25, '62—July 27, '63.

Dean, Martin B., 2d H. A., Dec. 7, '63. Died at Andersonville, Ga., '64.

Demand, Chauncey P., 25th I., Sept. 21, '61—Dec. 1, '63.

Re-enlisted, 25th I., Dec. 2, '63. Died of wounds July 10, '64.

Evens, John, 26th I., Aug. 2, '64—July 14, '65.

Edgley, George, (58th I.) Aug. 2, '64—July 14, '65.

Emery, Frederick, 51st I., Sept. 25, '62—July 27, '63.

Fairbank, Edson, 3d B. R., May 19, '61—Aug. 3, '61.

Re-enlisted, 51st I., Sept. 25, '62—July 27, '63.

Fagan, Frank, 3d I., June 16, '64. Never joined his Regiment.

Fisher, Alvin B., 10th B., Sept. 9, '62—June 9, '65.

Forbush, Edwin J., 51st I., Nov. 20, '62—July 27, '63.

Foster, George W., 57th I., Jan. 4, '64—July 30, '65.

Foster, Albert C., 57th I., Jan. 4, '64—July 30, '65.

Flagg, George P., 20th I., Aug. 31, '61—July 9, '62.

Gibbs, Joseph, 51st I., Sept. 25, '62—July 27, '63.

Green, Samuel C., 51st I., Sept. 25, '62—July 27, '63.

Gore, Ferdinand, F. C., Dec. 30, '64—June 30, '65.

Goodwin, James M., 14th B., Dec. 21, '64—June 16, '65.

Harrigan, Patrick, F. C., Dec. 30, '64—June 30, '65.

Hill, George A., 12th B., Dec. 20, '64—July 25, '65.

Howe, Edson H., M. 36th I., Aug. 6, '62. Died at Andersonville, Ga., March 25, '64.

Howe, Edwin, 31st I., Jan. 31, '62. Died at Seabrook Landing, S. C., March 8, '62.

Hunt, George L., 10th B., Sept. 9, '62—June 9, '65.

Hooker, John W., R. A., July 31, '64—July.

Holmes, Edwin H., 51st I., Sept. 25, '62—July 27, '63.

Judkins, Oliver P., 21st I., July 19, '61—Aug. 1, '63.

Re-enlisted, 32d I., Jan. 2, '64—July 12, '65.

McCarty, John, 51st I., Sept. 25, '62—July 27, '63.

McDonough, C. E., 36th I., Aug. 5, '62—Feb. 18, '63.

McKnight, John, 2d H. A., Aug. 2, '64. Deser. Dec. 10, '64.

Lane, Elbridge, M. 13th I., July 26, '61—Aug. 31, '62.

Lakin, George, 13th I., July 24, '63. Deser. Aug. 20, '63.

Leonard, Benj. L., 57th I., Jan. 11, '64—July 30, '65.

Leonard, Daniel A., 57th I., Jan. 11, '64. Died of wounds at Danville, Va., Sept. 9, '64.

- Martin, James, 51st I., Sept. 25, '62—July 27, '63.
Mason, Brown, F. C., Dec. 30, '64—June 30, '65.
Moulton, M. R., 51st I., Sept. 25, '62—July 27, '63.
Moulton, H. V., 25th I., Jan. 3, '64—July 13, '65.
Mills, John S., 57th I., Jan. 4, '64. Died at Annapolis, Md., April 15, '65.
Moore, Bryant J., 2d C., Jan. 14, '64. Deser. July 1, '64.
Morse, Frederick, 2d C., Dec. 27, '64—Jan. 6, '65.
Murray, James, 7th B., Dec. 23, '64—Nov. 10, '65.
Oliver, Hiram B., 10th B., Sept. 9, '62—June 9, '65.
Orvill, John, F. C., Dec. 30, '64—June 30, '65.
Parker, Chas. E., 51st I., Sept. 25, '62. Died on board transport "Convoy," July 7, '63.
Parker, Isaac E., 21st I., July 19, '61. Discharged for disability.
Parsons, Hill, 1st. C., June 14, '64. Never joined Reg't.
Phelps, George B., R. A., Aug. 12, '64.
Pike, Charles E., 30th I., Oct. 15, '61—April 11, '62.
Preston, Edward F., 1st B., Sept. 30, '61—March 20, '62.
Rawson, Joseph K., 25th I., June 5, '64. Missing since May 16, '65, supposed killed.
Riley, Thomas, 2d I., June 14, '64. Deserted Aug. 21, '64.
Rice, John F., 51st I., Sept. 30, '62—June 9, '63.
Re-enlisted, 4th H. A., Aug. 22, '64—June 17, '65.
Ricker, Irvin, 2d C., Dec. 27, '64—July 27, '65.
Rood, James T., As. 28th I., Aug. 11, '62—Nov. 30, '62.
Rogers, Merrill T., 36th I., Aug. 13, '62—June 8, '65, sick.
Roberts, Joshua F., 3d H. A., April 9, '65—Sept. 18, '65.
Russell, Edward, 2d I., June 15, '64. Never joined Reg't.
Sanderson, Alfred A., 51st I., Sept. 30, '62—July 27, '63.
Sanderson, Pliny W., 51st I., Sept. 30, '62—July 27, '63.
Shaffer, Jacob, 25th I., Aug. 7, '62—Oct. 20, '64.
Smith, David F., 51st I., Sept. 30, '62—July 27, '63,

- Smith, Frank W., 51st I., Sept. 30, '62—July 27, '63.
Smith, Daniel H., 51st I., Sept. 30, '62—July 27, '63.
Smith, James D., 10th B., Sept. 9, '62—June 9, '65.
Smith, David W., 4th H. A., Aug. 2, '64—June 17, '65.
Smith, Sidney M., 19th I., April 14, '64. Died at home,
Nov. 30, '64.
Taylor, Geo. G., 39th I., July 13, '63—May 25, '65.
Taylor, Simeon B., 4th H. A., Aug. 22, '64—June 17, '65.
Thompson, S. C., 25th I., Sept. 21, '61—Dec. 17, '63.
Wesson, Cyrus H., 51st I., Sept. 30, '62—July 27, '63.
Wetherbee, Albert, 51st I., Sept. 25, '62—July 27, '63.
Wetherbee, Edward D., 20th I., July 22, '61—Aug. 1, '64.
Welch, John, 12th B., Dec. 20, '64—July 25, '65.
West, Charles, F. C., Dec. 30, '64—June 30, '65.
Williams, Charles, F. C., Dec. 30, '64. Deser. Jan. 3, '65.
Williamson, Peter, 2d I., June 15, '64—Aug. 21, '64.
Wood, Frank, 2d H. A., June 15, '64—Sept. 3, '65.
Woodis, Charles E., 10th B., Sept. 9, '62—June 9, '65.

The above list is supposed to be correct. We are willing to be forgiven for all errors on our part, the rest we will assign to the Adjutant General. We believe there was no soldier who went from and belonged to this town, but returned (if at all,) with an honorable record. The deserters were most, if not all of them, obtained from the military junk shop in Boston to fill our quota. The names of twenty or more conscripts are omitted. We are happy to give credit to all our soldiers who went to the front. We will leave it to others to give the record of those who did not.

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

A public library of ten hundred and sixty-five well selected volumes is one of our prized institutions. It has been

established fifteen or twenty years, owned and controlled by the town, and free to all that conform to the rules and regulations.

MORTALITY.

The following table shows the number of deaths in town from 1838 to 1878 inclusive, giving the average age in each year.

YEAR.	NO DEATHS.	AGE.	YEAR.	NO. DEATHS.	AGE.
1838	8	40 $\frac{7}{8}$	1858	23	35
1839	21	34 $\frac{7}{8}$	1859	15	51 $\frac{1}{2}$
1840	30	27 $\frac{1}{2}$	1860	23	33 $\frac{3}{4}$
1841	31	33 $\frac{7}{8}$	1861	25	40 $\frac{1}{2}$
1842	13	43 $\frac{1}{2}$	1862	13	44
1843	25	44 $\frac{3}{4}$	1863	20	40 $\frac{3}{4}$
1844	18	47 $\frac{1}{2}$	1864	21	33 $\frac{1}{2}$
1845	24	33 $\frac{1}{2}$	1865	22	44 $\frac{1}{4}$
1846	18	46 $\frac{3}{8}$	1866	16	36
1847	24	38	1867	14	37
1848	34	44	1868	16	61
1849	20	42 $\frac{1}{2}$	1869	18	41 $\frac{2}{3}$
1850	22	43 $\frac{3}{4}$	1870	17	56
1851	17	44 $\frac{1}{2}$	1871	20	49 $\frac{1}{2}$
1852	18	46 $\frac{1}{2}$	1872	12	47 $\frac{1}{2}$
1853	24	45	1873	15	41 $\frac{1}{2}$
1854	33	46	1874	16	41 $\frac{1}{2}$
1855	15	47	1875	18	50
1856	25	39 $\frac{1}{2}$	1876	16	60 $\frac{1}{2}$
1857	32	37 $\frac{1}{2}$	1877	20	67 $\frac{1}{2}$
	22	48 $\frac{1}{4}$	1878	9	61 $\frac{3}{4}$
	15	41 $\frac{1}{2}$			

In order to give the *exact* average for each year we should be obliged to make use of very many fractions. The above table gives the average very near.

It will be found that the above table gives a less number of deaths than are recorded in the Clerk's office. The Clerk records *all* deaths that occur in town, though some may be residents of other towns. Such are not included in the table.

MASS. CENTRAL RAILROAD.

By an Act of the Legislature, approved May 10, 1869, power was granted to Edward Denny, Joel Hayden, Francis Brigham, Jas. S. Draper, Constance Southworth, Edward Atkinson, Francis Edson, Benj. H. Tripp, Charles A. Stevens, C. C. Aldrich, Lafayette Maltby, Henry F. Hills, and and Philo Chapin, to locate and build a road with the above title, from Williamsburg in Hampshire Co. to Mill Village in Sudbury, Middlesex Co., there to unite with the Wayland and Sudbury Branch to its terminus near Stony Brook Station on the Fitchburg road. Time granted for building, six years. Capital stock not less than three nor over six millions. Surveys were made, the road located, twenty per cent. of the stock subscribed and paid in, and in 1871, work was began. A large part of the grading east of Coldbrook, (Oakham,) was completed. In 1873, the failure or suspension of the contractor caused most of the sub-contractors to go the same way. These causes, together with the financial crisis which came upon the country about that time, put an end to further operations. The time for building was extended by an Act of the Legislature to May 1, 1877, and again to May 1, 1879.

A petition will be presented at the present session (1879) asking for more time, also permission to extend the line from Stonybrook to the B. & L. road in Cambridge or Somerville, and also to extend it from some point in Amherst to a point on the T. & G. road in the town of Conway or Deerfield, and various other favors too numerous to mention.

The road as located will pass up the valley less than half a mile north of the Centre. The town has stock to the amount of \$25,000, and individuals some over \$20,000.

The present Board of Directors are Silas Seymour, Boston; Milton Cartwright, New York; Francis Brigham, Hudson; J. Edwin Smith, E. B. Shattuck, Worcester; Lewis J. Dudley, Luke Lyman, Northampton; Henry F. Hills, W. A. Dickinson, Amherst; Charles A. Cutting, Boston; J. S. Draper, Wayland; Franklin Bonney, Hadley; C. M. Harris, West Boylston; J. T. Joslin, Hudson; and J. W. Rollins, Boston.

The completion of the road is only a question of time.—Stockholders may ere long receive a dividend from the sale of wood growing on the line, equal no doubt to the last dividend of the Farmington Canal from the sale of hay cut on the towpath. We leave the subject and road both *in statu quo*, hoping that some one in the far distant future may be able to report its completion.

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